

Region 7

Regional Services Council

Agenda

November 12, 2010

Greeting/Introductions

Council Members Present:

Steve Cox, Jackie Fisher, Linda Marsh, Joseph Combs, Jeanell Sheffield, Kelly Kirby, Judge Jay Toney in attendance by Proxy Beth Krieg, Patricia Ergle, Deb Tharp-McGriff

Absent Council Members:

Judge Dana Kenworthy, Betty Lyons, Joy Woolf, James Luttrull, Judge Randall Johnson, Tina Coston, Sasha Dykes-Wilson

Others in Attendance:

Joan Caylor, Blake Hudson, Nikki Furry, Yvonne Duff, Amy Knoblock, Kevin Standfest, Herb Hobson, Polly Craig, Margaret Richardson, Justin Cox, Rachael Stark, Missy Snyder, Sam Smith, Michelle Burrows, Tracy Chambers, Dan Turner, Marty Temple, Sarah Lee, Donna Bookout, Tammy Johnson, Connie Rose, Eldon Solomon, Stephanie Yoder, Amanda Lopez, Rita Spittler, Veda Morris-May

Minutes:

Jackie Fisher moves to accept October 8, 2010 minutes. Kelly Kirby seconds the motion. All members vote in favor of approving October 8, 2010 minutes.

Community Partners-Children's Bureau: - Nikki Furry

- Total families referred: 524, Active Families: 96, Total engaging Families: 44
- Blackford 4, Delaware 21, Grant 18, Jay 6, and Randolph 60 families that is being helped
- Funds used in October \$1,433.01
- Total Funds used since Jan. 2010 \$23,501.97
- Subcontractors next report on 1-14-2011
- Bus pass request increasing
- Delaware and Grant utilities assistance increasing

Early Intervention/Prevention Plan:

a) Status Report of Prevention Programs

- Audits will start in December 2010 to check the MRO
- All subcontractors will need to review spend down projection by January 2011 and report to Community Partners by February 2011
- Reserve has \$5,678.00 currently
- Ball State Domestic Violence workshops should start up mid January 2011
- Suggestions for use of prevention dollars let Nikki Furry know

b) 40 Developmental Assets-B.A.R.C (Building Assets Rich Communities)

- B.A.R.C has a Face book page available
- November 30th two day training on Train the Trainers
- Train the Trainer is training is full with 20 participants
- Each person that is trained has signed a contract to give back twelve hours over the next calendar year
- January 14, 2011 @ 9:30-11:30 @ Region 7 Training Site Update for all partners who helped get the Strategy kicked off. Everyone welcome to come
- Nov 30th & Dec 1st training there is still 4 slots that is available which would cost \$1000 contact Stephanie Yoder at syoder@iyi.org

Coordinator Update:

- Regional Coordinator has been hired which Aretha Green
- Regional Coordinator will cover the following Regions 3, 4, & 7
- This week starting audit reviews with service providers
- Will start going out and train service providers on the new MRO Initiative

Services:

- RFP is currently due out Dec 1st
- All request for proposal submission is Jan 7, 2011
- Fatherhood service standard will be proposed
- Score any proposals that is received between Feb 4, 2011 thru Feb 18, 2011 the RSC will need to meet Feb 21, 2011 thru March 4, 2011 to act on those proposals
- RSC will reschedule the Feb 11, 2011 meeting to Feb 25, 2011

a) Service gaps/needs

Motion

Kelly Kirby has requested to relocate services to Bowlen Center in Region 4 Huntington County.

Pat Ergle moves to accept the proposal for Blackford County being able to access Region 4 contract. Joseph Combs seconds the motion. All members are in favor of motion.

Motion

Beth Krieg request that Anchors contract be modified. Anchors have a contract for placement already. This child needs a lot of case management not therapy. To modify would take 60 days. It is suggested that Beth look at other options, talk with Regional Coordinator

Linda Marsh moves to accept the proposal to facilitate a contract modification if appropriate and recommended by the Service Consultant. Kelly Kirby seconds the motion. All members are in favor of motion.

Motion

Joseph Combs request to add Park Center from Bluffton, who has a contract with Region 4 to utilize Home base and Individual service, to our region.

Jackie Fishers moves to accept the proposal to reallocate funds to Region 4 Wells County for Home base and Individual Services. Pat Ergle seconds the motion. All members are in favor of motion.

Motion

Jeanell Sheffield request a need for supervised visitation due to reunification is the goal for this family. Meridian is willing to do visitation but since the kids were removed for lack of supervision they want the visitation to take place in the home.

Joseph Combs moves to accept the proposal to access Children's Bureau contract in Region 11. Pat Ergle seconds the motion. All members are in favor of motion.

Regional Finance Manager/Fiscal Issues:

- Budget numbers for October 2010 shows 41% of budget on Preservations Service, 54% Miscellaneous Cost of Wards
- There were some prior bills that had been paid dated back to 2009 early part of 2010 that was coded incorrectly. Paid from the wrong funding so October numbers are due to the fact of the additional expenditures cost.

Next Meeting:

- December 10, 2010